

TIVERTON CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
Regular meeting minutes: June 21, 2008

1. Call to order

Chair Cecil Leonard called the meeting to order at 11:09 am at the Tiverton Town Hall

Members present: Laura Epke, Deb Pallasch, Stanley Zeramby, Diane Harris, Ray Medeiros, Bob Koohy, Frank Marshall Absent: Richard Joslin

2. Commission discussion:

“Other” ballot language

Section 1210 – Andy informed via email that should be ready by Monday, June 23rd..

Section 1205 – Discussion with no formal action taken. Section to remain as is.

FTM alternative

Motion by C. Leonard, seconded by D. Harris, to add the following language to section 301 A. “or add any other item/provision to the budget proposal that would require the collection of additional tax without the approval of the submitting authority or the Town Council”.

In Favor: F. Marshall, C. Leonard, B. Koohy, D. Harris, S. Zeramby, R. Medeiros

Against: L. Epke Abstain: D. Pallasch. Motion passed.

Motion by B. Koohy, seconded by C. Leonard, to add the following language to section 301 “F. Additional financial proposals may be added to the ballot in accordance with section 303, Additional Financial Proposals, of the Tiverton Town Charter.”

In Favor: None

Against: F. Marshall, C. Leonard, B. Koohy, D. Harris, R. Medeiros

Abstain: L. Epke, D. Pallasch, S. Zeramby Motion failed.

Motion by D. Harris, seconded by F. Marshall, to remove section 303, Additional Financial Proposals, from the Tiverton Town Charter.

In Favor: F. Marshall, C. Leonard, B. Koohy, D. Harris, S. Zeramby, R. Medeiros

Abstain: L. Epke, D. Pallasch Motion passed.

Motion to add new sections 407 (16) and 602 (a) 12.) as follows:

Section 407 Powers and Duties

16) In case of a Town financial emergency, as identified by the elected Town Treasurer, authorize the Treasurer to borrow amounts up to \$500,000.00. The borrowing shall be approved by a majority vote of the Council.

Section 602 Town Treasurer

(a) 12.) In case of a Town financial emergency, as determined by the elected Town Treasurer, the Treasurer may borrow up to \$500,000.00 with the approval of a majority vote of the Town Council

In Favor: F. Marshall, C. Leonard, B. Koohy, D. Harris, S. Zeramby, R. Medeiros
Abstain: L. Epke, D. Pallasch Motion passed.

3. Other

Jeff Caron appeared before the Commission to discuss a new proposal prepared by Mr. Caron. The Commission stated that is was agreed to accept no further Charter revisions from the public on May 14th; however, Mr. Caron was referred to the Town Council (who can also put revisions on the ballot in November) with the Commission's thanks for his continued interest in town Government.

4. Adjournment

The Commission's June 21, 2008 regular meeting was adjourned at 1:07 pm.

Minutes recorded and compiled by Deborah Pallasch, Secretary.